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Ms. Marlene Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Docket numbers 01-338, 96-98 and 98-147

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Monday, August 30, 2004, Praveen Goyal and Susan Davis of Covad Communications Company, along with Mark Schneider on behalf of Covad, met with Jeffrey Carlisle, Michelle Carey, Robert Tanner, Jeremy Miller and Russell Hanser of the Wireline Competition Bureau regarding the above-referenced dockets. During the meeting Covad discussed the need for the Commission to act quickly to preserve access to line sharing beyond the pending October 2004 cut-off of access to new line sharing orders. Covad expressed its support for the Commission reconsidering its phase out of line sharing, and acting quickly to preserve access to line sharing in the interim. Covad also discussed its belief that such actions would be legally sustainable, and not inconsistent with previous court opinions.

Respectfully submitted,

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